#### October 18, 2013

Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Big Rapids High School to host Michigan Supreme Court on October 23

Area high school, college students to meet Supreme Court justices, hear arguments in motorcycle injury case as part of "Court Community Connections" program

Press release

#### MLW Blog: High court announces chief judge appointments

"Judge William B. Murphy has been reappointed as chief judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals for a one-year term beginning Jan. 1, 2014. Court of Appeals Judge Michael J. Talbot, the current special administrator of the 36th District Court in Detroit, will become the COA's chief judge Jan. 1, 2015, for a one-year term."

Full story

Also see:

MLive.com: Michigan Supreme Court names new chief judges for trial courts, appeals court

Full story

"Judicial leaders" of Michigan trial courts, Court of Appeals named by Michigan Supreme Court; chief judges to promote efficiency, public service High court continues trend of appointing one chief judge to oversee multiple trial courts Press release

### Monroe Evening News: Hohman Named State Court Administrator In Lansing

"Monroe County Chief Probate Judge John A. Hohman Jr. has been named state court administrator, a position that oversees the entire Michigan court system. Judge Hohman, who served in Monroe County Probate and Family Court for 16 years, was appointed by the seven-member Michigan Supreme Court." Full story

Also see:

Muskegon County Legal News: Honorable John A. Hohman, Jr., named State Court Administrator

Full story

Macomb County Legal News: New State Court Administrator appointed Full story

Honorable John A. Hohman, Jr. of Monroe named State Court Administrator Press release

### Detroit Free Press: Bankruptcy judge extends stay on claims against 36th District Court

"A federal bankruptcy judge's ruling today will freeze attempted collections of certain monetary claims against the 36th District Court, including an arbitrator's award in August for more than \$5.5 million in back pay for four former court officers. U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Steven Rhodes extended an automatic stay on claims against the city of Detroit during bankruptcy proceedings to collections of claims made against the 36th District Court before the city filed for bankruptcy in July."

Full story

Also see:

The Detroit News: Judge: No legal action against 36th District Court during bankruptcy

# Detroit Free Press: Bills would let more officials carry concealed guns in restricted places

"... Michigan law prohibits carrying concealed firearms in certain locations ... [h]owever, 10 categories of law enforcement-type officials are exempt from that law, such as county corrections officers, sheriff's deputies, police officers and judges. State corrections officers and county prosecutors say they should be on that list, too."

Full story

#### Associated Press: Court won't block teen's extradition to Georgia

"The Michigan appeals court says a Flint-area teen can be extradited to Georgia to face sexual assault allegations from 2010. It's the first time a higher court in Michigan has ruled on the extradition of a minor. In a 3-0 decision this week, the appeals court says Michigan is obligated to send any person to another state if the circumstances are appropriate, regardless of age."

<u>Full story</u>

Note: This Associated Press article also ran in the Detroit News, the Midland Daily News and other media outlets.

Also see:

Flint Journal: Flint teen loses extradition fight in Georgia child sex assault case

Full story

# Daily Press & Argus: Court sides with judge in Handy Township sewer case; Appeals panel rejects county's bid for damages

"The Michigan Court of Appeals on Tuesday affirmed a Livingston County Circuit Court judge's ruling in a lawsuit related to a Handy Township sewer project.... The issue on appeal was whether the plain language of the performance bond expressed an intent contrary to the generally understood principle that a surety is liable only for the amount of the bond."

Full story

# **Detroit Legal News: Success story: Event highlights work of drug court program**

"Heightening awareness of the drug court program in Oakland County was the underlying purpose of a breakfast reception sponsored by The RESTORE Foundation October 15 at the Iroquois Club in Bloomfield Hills. The event coincided with the presentation of a proclamation from the Oakland County Board of Commissioners declaring October the month of 'Oakland County Adult Treatment Court and Juvenile Drug Court Awareness.' "

Full story

Note: The article also ran in the Oakland County Legal News.

### Flint-Genesee County Legal News: Students honored during Hispanic Heritage month

"October 6 will be remembered fondly by Cooley Law School students, Ulises Mario Macias Robles and Belem Morales, the first recipients of the Navarro-Vezina Scholarship.... In addition to witnessing the awards ceremony, participants at the event enjoyed speeches by several distinguished leaders from the Latino Community in Michigan [including Wayne County Circuit Court Judges Patricia Perez Fresard and Maria Oxholm.]"

Full story

### Grand Rapids Legal News: Ending 'school to prison pipeline' was goal of Michigan anti-truancy summit

"... Seventy-three county teams heard from national and state speakers, including Michigan Supreme Court Justice Mary Beth Kelly, Department of Human Services Director Maura Corrigan, and Department of Education Superintendent Mike Flanagan. Also attending was Michigan Supreme Court Justice Bridget M. McCormack."

Full story

#### **Grand Rapids Press: Court interpreters needed (ninth letter)**

Kent County Circuit Court Judge Christopher Yates and Kentwood District Court Judge William Kelly write "For many months, we served on a committee created to address the process for appointing interpreters in the Michigan court system. Recently, the Michigan Supreme Court issued rules on that subject ensuring that people with limited ability to speak English have meaningful access to our courts. We wholeheartedly support these new rules as a major improvement of our justice system."

Full story